



**CALIFORNIA  
HIGH-SPEED RAIL  
AUTHORITY**

**BRIEFING: September 2010 BOARD MEETING AGENDA ITEM #8**

**TO: Chairman Pringle and Authority Board Members**

**FROM: Carrie L. Bowen, Regional Director**

**DATE: August 23, 2010**

**RE: Fresno to Bakersfield Section Supplemental Alternatives Analysis**

---

**Discussion**

The purpose of this agenda item is to summarize the investigation of proposed changes to the Preliminary Alternatives Analysis Report for the Fresno to Bakersfield Section, previously approved at the June 3, 2010, Board Meeting.

The proposed changes related to the investigation of alternative alignments (Options H1 and H2) through the City of Hanford in Kings County to avoid agricultural impacts from an alignment that bypasses Hanford (Alternative C1).

**Staff Recommendation**

The staff recommends consideration for the Board to approve the following:

**Kings County Design Options**

- ✓ Continue to carry forward Alternative C1 from Preliminary AA Report with revisions to minimize agricultural impacts
- ✗ Do not carry forward Options H1 and H2

**Attachments:**

- ✓ Supplemental AA Report Executive Summary